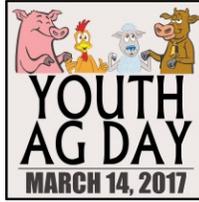


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## **Solano County Fair Association Presents 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Ag Day** *Volunteers, donations sought to bring this unique experience to local third-graders*

**Solano County, CA** – Thousands of excited third-graders are expected to descend on the Solano County Fairgrounds on Tuesday, March 14 for the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Youth Ag Day.

The Solano County Fair Association hosts this free interactive hands-on event as part of its ongoing efforts to educate Solano County’s youth about the crucial role agriculture plays in our daily lives and the county’s rich agricultural heritage.

“Youth Ag Day allows us to engage these students in a fun and educational atmosphere so they have a better connection with our local agriculture and where their food comes from,” said Board of Directors President, Lee Williams. “Hopefully the kids will come away with a greater understanding of the world around them and the many ways agricultural industries impact our lives.”

The 15<sup>th</sup> annual Youth Ag Day on Tuesday, March 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. is expected to bring more than 3,000 third-grade students from across Solano County, along with their teachers and chaperones, to the Fairgrounds for this one-of-a-kind educational field trip. The fun and exciting format allows students to gain first-hand experiences through a diverse range of agricultural activities and exhibits.

“Youth Ag Day is truly a collaborative community effort of presenters, volunteers, sponsors and donors,” said Solano County Fairgrounds General Manager, Steve Hales. “We’re very fortunate to live in a place where people are so generous with their time, money and expertise and have an interest in sharing it for the enrichment of our students.”

Youth Ag Day is presented by the Solano County Fair Association in conjunction with the Solano County Department of Agriculture and Solano County 4-H and Future Farmers of America (FFA), along with many other generous supporters.

The popularity of this event has continued to grow each year thanks to the generous financial support of local businesses and individuals. Many third-grade classes would not be able to attend without the financial assistance from donors to cover the increasing cost of transportation.



Youth Ag Day is seeking sponsors of any level to help allow this priceless opportunity to continue and grow for Solano County third-graders. Bus sponsorships in the amount of \$500 are especially important to the event's success in order to serve the transportation needs of classrooms from throughout the county.

Volunteer opportunities exist to greet arriving classes, assist at registration, direct classroom groups through the learning stations, coordinate group flow within the exhibit buildings, and assist the presenting organizations. Volunteers are integral to the success of Youth Ag Day and are encouraged to sign up early to be a part of this rewarding event.

School registration, presenter, sponsor and volunteer information are all available on the Youth Ag Day page of the Fairgrounds' web site at SCFair.com. For additional information, email AgDay@SCFair.org or call 707-551-2002.

Established in 1949 to produce the annual County Fair, the Solano County Fair Association is a non-profit agency that is governed by a Board of Directors which is appointed by the Solano County Board of Supervisors. The Solano County Fair Association has been providing educational, cultural, artistic, commercial and recreational programs to the residents of Solano County for over 65 years. The mission of the Solano County Fair Association is "to ensure a positive experience for the public by providing a year-round multi-purpose venue that showcases and celebrates the wide variety of resources and activities available to our diverse community."

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